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Draft Annex A for NSC 68 Review

1. We have made every effort in this draft to achieve the right pitch of generalization for an NSC paper.
2. Although the dittoed, double-spaced version appears unduly lengthy, it actually is little if any longer than Annex A to NSC 111, (which covered only the events of the past one year). It should come out to no more than 10 single spaced NSC annex-type pages, which is approximately the same length as Annex A to NSC 111.
3. The Conclusions have been framed to serve as both summary and conclusions and thus be suitable for lifting out as the intelligence portion of the official NSC report. Certain summary paragraphs of the discussion have also been inserted with this in mind.
4. We have not discussed in detail what might happen if there was a renewal of hostilities in the Far East, because this should be decided by the time the NSC report appears; if hostilities are renewed much of our draft will probably have to be rewritten.
5. We have dealt with Communist China primarily in the Far East section, rather than in Section I on the Soviet Bloc, because China's influence will be felt chiefly in the Far East.
6. If this paper will go through the full process of IAC coordination, would there be any point in issuing the final estimate as an NIE or SE?

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